

visiting staff just compensation for the services which they render to the members of the Society, for it brings to them many patients which they otherwise would not have ("hospital patients").

There still remains the objection against "contract practice." Sure enough! This matter was threshed out a few years ago, and if my memory serves, we all agreed at that time that it was physically impossible to abolish all forms of contract practice; the best that we may hope to do is to curb it within just limitations.

This is exactly what we of the German Hospital staff are trying to do. We hope and believe that the next move will be to drop all "subscribers," and then to have the privilege of free attention at the hospital limited to deserving members. A fee should be permitted even if the patient is a member, if his circumstances are such that he can afford it, and especially if he is able to pay for a private room. In other words, we want to go back to the plans of the early days, before the time when abuses crept in. The assistance of our medical brethren will be most welcome, and we believe that with such aid, the necessary changes can be made that will put the new German Hospital in the front rank of hospitals in the Western Hemisphere, and place it on a footing that will be absolutely unobjectionable in any way.

Very truly yours,
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PUBLICATIONS.

The following publications have been received by the Journal, some of them having been sent in for review and others for the library. Our thanks are extended to the publishers, and we beg to advise them that many of the works are now in the hands of reviewers and that the result of their efforts will be published as soon as possible.

Eczema. By Samuel Horton Brown, M. D. P. Blakiston's Sons & Co., Philadelphia.

Diseases of the Nervous System Resulting from Accident and Injury. By Pearce Bailey, A. M., M. D. D. Appleton & Co., N. Y.

Infection, Immunity and Serum Therapy. By H. T. Ricketts, M. D. The American Medical Association Press.

The Operating Room and the Patient. By Russell S. Fowler, M. D. W. B. Saunders Co., Philadelphia.

Consumption and Civilization. By John B. Huber, M. D. The J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia.

The Practice of Pediatrics in Original Contributions to American and English Authors. Edited by Walter Lester Carr, A. M., M. D. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia and New York.

A Compend of Operative Gynecology. By William Seaman Bainbridge, M. D., and Haven D. Meeker. The Grafton Press, N. Y.

The Diagnosis of Living Matter. By Jacques Loeb. Columbia University Press, N. Y.

Golden Rules of Surgery. By Augustus Charles Bernays, M. D. C. V. Mosby Medical Book Co., St. Louis.

Text Book of Diseases of Women. Penrose. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

Clinical Diagnosis. Ernest Boston. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

Practical Surgery. Nicholas Senn. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

The Treatment of Fractures. Scudder. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

Text Book of Obstetrics. Webster. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

Practice of Medicine. Eichhorst. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

Nervous and Mental Diseases. Church and Peterson. W. B. Saunders Co., Phila.

A Non-Surgical Treatise on Diseases of the Prostate Gland and Adnexa. By George Whitfield Overall. The Rowe Publishing Co.

Clinical Bacteriology and Hematology for Practitioners. By W. D'Este Emery, M. D. P. Blakiston's Son & Co., Philadelphia.

The Prophylaxis and Treatment of Internal Diseases. By F. Forchheimer, M. D. D. Appleton & Co., New York.

The Eye and Nervous System. By Wm. Campbell Posey, A. B., M. D., and Wm. G. Spiller, M. D. J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia.

The Autotoxicoes Their Theory, Pathology and Treatment. By Heinrich Stern, Ph. M., M. D., New York, Professor of special medical pathology and therapy in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Boston; director of the Institute for Medical Diagnosis and Research in the city of New York, physician-in-chief, Philanthropin Hospital in the city of New York; pediatricist and pathologist Misericordia hospital and the Hartsdale Infirmary; consulting physician Metropolitan and Red Cross Hospitals; chairman section on pharmacology American Medical Association; permanent member Medical Society state of New York; Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, etc., etc., 12mo. 222 pages. Price \$1.00, postpaid. Chicago: G. P. Engelhard & Company, 1906.

This little work is certainly the clearest and most scientific presentation of the subject which has yet come to hand. The author has not only given his own observations, experiments and conclusions, but has worked over a mass of literature on the subject. The conciseness and simplicity of the text recommend it to the busy practitioner. Complicated chemical formulae are conspicuous by their absence but the source and end products of the toxines have been indicated in a general way. Physical and electrical as well as the chemical causes of the clinical phenomena, the results of the toxicoses, are discussed. Not least in importance is the part devoted to the practical application of the principles of the "toxicoses" and their treatment. The book is certainly of great value to both practitioner and student.

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Nursing in the Acute Infectious Fevers. By George P. Paul, M. D., Assistant Visiting Physician and Adjunct Radiographer to the Samaritan Hospital at Troy, New York.

Cloth: Pp. 200. Price \$1.00 net. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders & Co., 1906.

We can only regret the fact that so much medicine and so little nursing is included in this epitome of the "Acute Infectious Fevers." Many subjects of great practical importance to nurse and physician have not received the attention they deserved; among others, Isolation, Disinfection, Fumigation, have all been treated too briefly and it is in just such a work that they might be elaborated with advantage. As a rule, text-books for nurses err in the other direction. Let us hope that the second edition will not be amenable to the same criticism.

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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The next semi-annual meeting of this thriving association will be held in Fresno on the second Tuesday in October. The President is Dr. Geo. H. Aiken of Fresno, and we understand that an excellent program is being prepared.